Welfare schemes for agricultural labourers

22. SHRI RAMJI LAL: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of welfare schemes framed by Government for agricultural labourers during the last three years;

(b) the financial allocations made for above schemes by Government for current year and during the Eighth Five Year Plan;

(c) the results achieved therefrom and the number of persons who have been benefitted; and

(d) the number of labourrers and agricultural labourers in Haryana who have been covered/benefited during the last three years, district-wise?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) to (d) Some of the major schemes undertaken for improving economic and social conditions of labour including agircultural labour include:

(i) **Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP)**

Under this scheme, financial assistance is provided for acquiring income generating assets, comprising of a varying mix of subsidies and term credit at differential rates for small farmers, marginal farmers, agricultural labourers and rural artisans with special provision for SC/STs and women. The number of families assisted under this scheme are given below:

Year	Families assisted
1992-93	20,68,773
1993-94	25,34,925
1994-95	21,82,018

Allocation of funds under this scheme for the year 1995-96 is Rs. 1,09,721.16 lakh which includes Rs. 54,950/- lakh as Central share. In Haryana families covered during 1992-93, 1993-94 and 1994-95 are 23,344, 34,026 and 28,285 respectively.

(ii) **Jawahar Rojgar Yojana (JRY)**

The scheme aims at generation of additional gainful employment and creation of productive community assetts. Employment generation under this Scheme is given below:—

Year	Employment generated (in lakh mandays)
1992-93	7,821
1993-94	9,523
1994-95	6,285.29

This scheme has been intensified in 120 backward districts of the country where there is concentration of unemployment and under employment. An additional 1688.57 lakh mandays employment was generated under Intensive Jawahar Rojgar Yojana (IJRY) during 1994-95. Funds allocated under this scheme for 1995-96 are Rs. 4,044.97 crores including Central share. In Haryana employment generated under this Scheme during 1992-93, 1993-94 and 1994-95 is 32.63, 33.29 and 33.96 lakh mandays respectively.

(iii) **Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS)**

On 2nd October, 1993 a new Scheme 'Employment Assurance Scheme' has been launched in 1972 identified backward blocks. It seeks to provide assured wage employment of 100 days of unskilled manual work in lean agriculture season. The Scheme will mainly benefit agircultural workers. Funds allocated under this Scheme for 1995-96 are Rs. 1,27,809 lakh. In 1993-94, 494.74 lakh mandays employment was generated. In Haryana, during 1993-94 and 1994-95, 15.20 lakh mandays and 25.18 lakh mandays employment espectively was generated.

(iv) Development of Women and Children in Rural Areas (DWCRA)

Besides, there is a scheme known as Development of Women and Children in Rural Areas (DWCRA) which was launched in 1982-83 for bringing about economic and social upliftment of Rural Women belonging to families below the poverty line using a group approach for taking up income generating activities suited to their skills and aptitude. The Scheme operates in conjunction with TRYSEM and IRDP.

(v) Training of Rural Youth for Self Employment (TRYSEM)

The scheme aims at skill upgradation of rural youth for self-employment.

District-wise figures are not maintained for the above schemes.

(vi) Welfare Funds.

The Ministry of labour are administering five Welfare Funds to extend housing, education, medical and recreational facilities for beedi workers, cine workers and workers in lime-stone dolomite, iron, manganese, chrome and mica mines. Budget allocation for these Funds is given below:—

Fund	Actual Expenditure (1994-95)	Allocation (1995-96)
Beedi Workers Welfare Fund	21.60 crores	22.91 crores
Mica Workers Welfare Fund	2.03 crores	2.10 crores
Iron Ore Workers Welfare Fund	4.55 crores	7.25 crores
Lime Stone Workers Welfare Fund	2.71 crores	5.04 crores
Cine Workers Welfare Fund	0.057 crores	0.10 crores

(vii) Group Insurance Scheme and Old Age Pension

In addition to the above, the Central and the various State Governments have taken up several Insurance and Social Security Schemes like Group Insurance Scheme for Landless Agricultural labourers in 1987 under the Social Security Fund of the LIC for providing insurance cover to all landless agricultural labourers in the age group of 18—60 years and the Insurance Scheme for IRDP beneficiaries in 1988. The Ministry of Labour have taken up a Group Insurance Scheme for beedi workers since 1992-93. Several State Governments are running old age pension schemes with varying eligibility criteria and pension rates.

Allotment of captive coal mines to Nippon Denro Ispat in Maharashtra

23. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:
SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have approved the application of Nippon Denro Ispat for allotting three captive coal mines situated in Chandrapur district of Maharashtra for their use; and

(b) if so, the details and the terms and conditions thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT